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Issue Discussion:

- **In the aftermath of a catastrophic earthquake that impacts multiple states, a Unified Joint Command (or something similar) will be needed to establish guidelines and priorities, and to provide a fully integrated, coordinated response among all entities.**

- **There is currently no concept of operations that addresses an identified need for oversight of multi-state impacts to river operations and water infrastructure following a catastrophic event.**

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Proposal for Resolution:

Contingent upon establishment of a Unified Joint Command (or something similar), the following basic concept of operations is offered for discussion and potential implementation:

- **Establish an interagency task force to provide oversight and mission-focused planning guidance for river operations in all the states in the affected area.**

- **The scope of this task force would be limited to river operations**

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Proposal for Resolution (continued)

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The "River Operations" Task Force would:

(1) Develop national-level priorities and objectives.

(2) Make resource allocation and adjudication decisions.

(3) Integrate existing maritime/riverine response and recovery processes and authorities held by different agencies.

(4) Conduct strategic and operational planning.

(5) Provide guidance to the Joint Field Offices

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Desired Outcome: **Approval of proposal that follows or other direction to meet the requirement.**